

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

YASUDA *et al.*

Appl. No.: 10/822,096

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For: **Power-Dividing Device and Axle-
Driving Device For A Working
Vehicle**

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Examiner: Ruth Ilan

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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 3, 2007, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

An Appendix including three sheets of amended drawing figures is attached following page 18 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.